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Woodlawn School Celebrates 50th Anniversary with Opening of Time Capsule

Steinbach, MB. Oct. 28, 2014 – Woodlawn School celebrated its 50th Anniversary with a special student assembly during the afternoon of Tuesday, Oct. 28 and an official public ceremony later on the same evening. In attendance were past and present trustees, superintendents, principals, teachers, staff, and students.

Built in 1964 Woodlawn School was named after the nearby Woodlawn Housing Development. The school's first principal was Mr. Richard Reimer, who had previously served 19 years as the principal of Kleefeld School.

A highlight of the 50th Anniversary celebration was the opening of a Woodlawn School time capsule during the afternoon student assembly. Sealed in 1989 as part of Woodlawn's 25th Anniversary, the capsule was to be opened in 2014 as part of the 50th Anniversary celebration. In attendance for the opening of the time capsule were former principal John Bestvater and former student Wendy Bergen, who were both participants in the creation of the time capsule back in 1989.

Items included within the capsule included a cassette tape, a VHS tape, clothing, posters, photos, cards, memorabilia, sports equipment, student assignments, and artwork. "It brought up a lot of wonderful memories of my time here," said former principal John Bestvater. As the capsule was opened, current students had opportunity to view the interesting items from the past and share some laughs with Woodlawn staff.

Capsule items were placed on display later that evening for the public ceremony, in which approximately 275 people were in attendance.

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About Woodlawn School

Woodlawn School is an environment where education and culture empowers our students to grow into caring, connected and contributing global citizens.

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